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Title: LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, MIRROR ELEMENT, DEVICE
MANUFACTURING METHOD AND BEAM DELIVERY SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed together with a Request for Continued Examination of the above-captioned patent application. This Preliminary Amendment responds to the Final Office Action dated November 8, 2005, and the Advisory Action dated February 15, 2006, the date for response to which is March 8, 2006, with a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time filed herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: